

Approved March 11, 2020

**EAST VALLEY WATER DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

February 12, 2020

MINUTES

The Chairman of the Board called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Director Carrillo led the flag salute.

PRESENT: Directors: Carrillo, Goodrich, Morales, Smith

ABSENT: Director Coats

STAFF: John Mura, General Manager/CEO; Brian Tompkins, Chief Financial Officer; Jeff Noelte, Director of Engineering and Operations; Justine Hendricksen, District Clerk; Shayla Antrim, Senior Administrative Assistant

LEGAL COUNSEL: Jean Cihigoyenetché

GUEST(s): Members of the public

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chairman Smith declared the public participation section of the meeting open at 5:31 p.m.

There being no written or verbal comments, the public participation section was closed.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

M/S/C (Morales-Carrillo) that the February 12, 2020 agenda be approved as submitted.

APPROVE THE NOVEMBER 13, 2019 REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

M/S/C (Goodrich-Morales) that the Board approve the November 13, 2019 regular board meeting minutes as submitted.

DIRECTORS' FEES AND EXPENSES FOR JANUARY 2020

M/S/C (Goodrich-Morales) that the Board approve the Directors' fees and expenses for January 2020 as submitted.

2019 TOP INLAND EMPIRE WORKPLACES PROGRAM

The Human Resources/Safety Risk Manager announced that East Valley Water District received second place in the Press-Enterprises' Top Workplace in the Inland Empire small employer category. She provided a presentation detailing the criteria used by the Press-Enterprise in determining top workplaces; reviewed surveys taken by employees, average scores and how the District ranked compared to the local government benchmarks, employee comments, and areas for improvement.

Information only.

FISCAL YEAR 2019-20 MID-YEAR BUDGET REVISIONS

The Chief Financial Officer gave a brief presentation of FY 2019-20 mid-year Budget revisions: he reviewed the operating budget, gave program summaries, presented an overview of the Capital Budget, discussed staffing changes, and reviewed accomplishments and District awards. He presented details on one minor increase to the Budget. He discussed proposed revisions to the Capital Budget: Ferguson Waterworks notified the District that AMI meters would increase in cost after June 2020, and the Chief Financial Officer stated that there would be significant cost savings to the District to purchase the remaining AMI meters before the price increases. He stated this will be funded by the District's Replacement Reserves.

M/S/C (Goodrich-Carrillo) that the Board approve amendments to the Fiscal Year 2019-20 Operating and Capital Budgets as submitted.

CALIFORNIA SPECIAL DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS SUPPORT RESOLUTION 2020.01

The General Manager/CEO stated that there is a vacancy on the California Special Districts Association Board (CSDA); he provided a brief overview of CSDA and the structure of Board Members; he also reviewed Chairman Coats' interest in his submittal of nomination paperwork to continue with the District's efforts to increase regional partnerships and participation with other agencies.

M/S/C (Morales-Carrillo) that the Board adopt Resolution 2020.01 to support placing in nomination Ronald L. Coats as a member of the California Special Districts Association Southern Network Seat B Board Election.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS' REPORTS

Director Carrillo reported on the following: January 23 he attended the Highland Chamber of Commerce Annual Installation Dinner; February 5 he attended the San Bernardino City Council meeting.

Vice Chairman Goodrich reported on the following: January 23 he attended the Highland Chamber of Commerce Annual Installation Dinner; January 24 he met with the General Manager/CEO to review the agenda; January 27 he attended the Association San

Bernardino County Special Districts monthly meeting; February 5 he attended the State of the County Regional Business Summit; and February 6 he met with the General Manager/CEO to review the agenda.

Director Morales reported on the following: February 4 he attended the Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA) Region 9 meeting where he was selected as the alternate Chairman of the Board; February 5 he attended the State of the County Regional Business Summit; and February 6 he took a tour of Plant 39-1 that was under renovation.

Chairman Smith reported on the following: February 5 he attended the State of the County Regional Business Summit; and February 6 he met with the General Manager/CEO to review the agenda.

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GENERAL MANAGER/CEO REPORT

The General Manager/CEO expressed his appreciation to staff for taking care of business during his time off. He reported on the following: February 11 the District held a Community Advisory Commission meeting; and February 12 he attended the Inland Action meeting where the District was welcomed as a new member. He announced that the District has officially entered into an agreement with California Alternative Energy and Advanced Transportation Financing Authority (CAEATFA) for sales tax exclusions for the SNRC; this will result in a savings of between \$3.5 - \$4.5 million.

The General Manager/CEO announced upcoming meetings:

February 17 - District offices will be closed in observance of President's Day
February 22 @ 10AM - Conservation Workshop hosted by the District

LEGAL COUNSEL REPORT

There were no comments at this time.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS' COMMENTS

The Board offered thoughts and prayers to Director Coats' and his wife.

Chairman Smith thanked the Chief Financial Officer for his presentation; and congratulated Director Morales for being selected as alternate Chair of the ACWA Region 9 Board.

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ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 6:58 p.m.



John Mura, Secretary



David E. Smith, Board President